



INCLUSION STANDING COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES

September 20, 2016

9:00 – 10:30 A.M.

Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council
3839 North 3rd Street, Suite 306
Phoenix, Arizona 85012

A standing committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened on September 20, 2016 at the ADDPC, 3839 North 3rd Street, Suite 306, Phoenix, Arizona 85012. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC:

Members Present

Andrew Robinson, Chair
Tom Uno, Telephone

Jamie Edgin, Telephone
J.J. Rico, Telephone

Staff/Guest Present	Members Absent/Regrets
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Larry Clausen, Executive Director
Lani St. Cyr, Fiscal Manager
Michael Leyva, Contracts Coordinator
Marcy Crane, Grants Manager
Jean Ajamie, Telephone
Jacy Farkas, Telephone
Lynne Tomasa, Telephone

Traci Gruenberger
Ray Morris

A. Call to Order:

Andrew Robinson made introductions for the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) Inclusion Standing Committee. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 A.M.

B. 2017-21 State Plan Review

Larry Clausen presented the 2017-21 State Plan for review and discussion. He reviewed the Inclusion Goal which is to *Motivate Communities to include people of all ages who have developmental disabilities in all aspects of community life*. The two objectives associated with the goal were also discussed. The first, pertaining to supporting youth with developmental disabilities transitioning out of foster care, identifies several components necessary to be successful. The second objective is more broad-based and focuses on increasing inclusion and building communities of support for persons with developmental disabilities of all ages through various approaches including

all aspects of community life. An overview of related work activities and timelines for 2017 was also reviewed.

C. Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports (PBIS) - \$221,630

Larry Clausen and Jean Ajamie, Director of the PBIS Project (operated through a grant to the Institute for Human Development at Northern Arizona University), gave an overview of the 2017 PBIS proposal. While certain aspects of the new project remain (expanding awareness of the use of PBIS as an alternative to restraints, seclusion, suspension, and expulsion; supporting fidelity to the PBIS model; expanding the number of schools integrating PBIS as a central part of school culture), the 2017 version of the proposal dedicates significant time and resources to developing a new model that can incorporate the PBIS school tenets into the home environment. Key community partners have been identified in making this concept a reality, including the Arizona Department of Health Services, Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs and the Department of Economic Security, Division of Developmental Disabilities.

- A motion was made by Jamie Edgin that the PBIS proposal be recommended to the Executive Standing Committee for approval in the amount of \$221,630, with the directive to add content to the activities under Goal 3, Objective 3.
- The motion was seconded by J.J. Rico.
- No additional discussion was held, a vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Tom Uno recused himself due to a conflict of interest.

D. Picture of a Life Project - \$93,301

Picture of a Life (POL), is a program funded by the Council and operated by the Sonoran University Center Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, located within the University of Arizona. Jacy Fakas was asked to present a detailed overview of the 2017 proposal. POL has been funded by the Council for the past 4 years, and this year's project is focused on learning from the success of the program by expanding capacity. POL has five major components that assist youth in foster care with developmental disabilities that are preparing to age out of the system. These components center on Person Centered Planning (PCP) as a strategy to develop choices based on interests and strengths to create opportunities for education, housing, employment and other components that build successful community living. The new project will continue implementing proven methods and recruiting/training facilitators who support participating youth. In year five of the project, emphasis will be placed on a number of outcomes including a project evaluation process using metrics to assess satisfaction of both facilitators and youth with the goal of gathering evidence that can point to a best practice.

- A motion was made by Tom Uno that the Picture of Life Project be recommended to the Executive Standing Committee for approval in the amount of \$93,301.

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- The motion was seconded by Andrew Robinson.
- No further discussion was held, a vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Jamie Edgin recused herself due to a conflict of interest.

E. Caregiver Roadmap -\$90,414

The Caregiver Roadmap project is funded by the Council and operated by the Sonoran University Center Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, located within the University of Arizona. Lynne Tomasa, the Project Director, participated by telephone to describe Year Two of the project. She explained that the overall purpose of the program is to improve late-life transition planning for adults and older persons with developmental disabilities and to support family caregivers during the process.

The first year was dedicated to developing content for the project accomplished through online surveys and interviews, followed by coding and analyzing the findings. A question was raised by a Council member regarding delays experienced in meeting outputs during the first year due to loss of a critical staff member and if year two had a contingency plan in place for a similar occurrence. Lynne answered affirmatively and indicated that while losing staff could not be predicted, she felt that the project was positioned to meet its 2017 objectives. These include an emphasis on community outreach in finalizing development of curriculum, operating a train-the-trainer component, providing education to 30 caregivers, developing personal story audio dialogues, producing two training videos on how to use the Caregiver Roadmap curriculum, manuscript development for publication, and presentation at a local or national conference.

- A motion was made by Tom Uno that the Caregiver Roadmap project be recommended to the Executive Standing Committee for approval in the amount of \$90,414.
- Andrew Robinson seconded the motion.
- No further discussion was held, a vote was taken and the motion carried.
- Jamie Edgin recused herself due to a conflict of interest.

F. Call to the Public

No public was in attendance.

G. Adjourn

- A Motion to adjourn was made by Tom Uno
- The Motion was seconded by J.J. Rico
- The Meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 2016
Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council